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Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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FILE NO. 100-20627

REPORT MADE AT <del>SAN FRANCISCO</del>	DATE WHEN <del>4/15/44</del>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <del>4/10, 11, 12/44</del>	REPORT MADE BY HOUSTON LE ROSS BROWNE SS
TITLE <del>RUBY HIMMAN with aliases, Bruni Hinman, Mrs. Loyal A. Hinman, Mrs. Luke Hinman, Mrs. J. A. Hinman</del>		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject has been positively identified as a member of the San Francisco Communist Party. She is reported to have been affiliated with the Party in northern and southern California over a period of nine years. Her husband, LOYAL A. ~~HINMAN~~, alias LUKE, is also reported to be a member of the same branch, having transferred from Longshoremen's Branch, and to have been a rabid Communist and labor organizer for many years. It is known that he also served with the Abraham Lincoln Brigade in the Spanish Civil War. RUBY and her husband are alleged to have subscribed to the PEOPLE'S WORLD and to have received mail of a Communistic nature as well as some registered mail from Russia.

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Details: At San Francisco, California:

AGENCY *ice-TNS San Francisco*  
REQ. REC'D. *2-10-58*  
REP'T FORW. *2-10-58*  
BY *Mrs. Rife*

This investigation is predicated upon information furnished by [redacted] to the effect that the subject is a known member of the Communist Party in San Francisco. Furthermore, a letter from the Los Angeles Field Division dated January 4, 1944, advised that that office had been furnished with documentary evidence from a very reliable and confidential source indicating that in May 1943, BRUNI HIMMAN was transferred from the Los Angeles County Communist Party, to San Francisco, "where his address is believed to be 1819 Stockton Street".

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Under pretext the reporting agent ascertained that the address 1619 Stockton Street, San Francisco, was the home of one MARGARET LEE ORTON, who is believed to be an associate of many Communists in this area. It was further learned that LUKE HINMAN and his wife, RUBY, lived with ORTON at this address for awhile after coming from Los Angeles and that they now live at 2317 Jones Street, San Francisco. This address was also verified. It is believed, therefore, that the name BRUNI may be a nickname or alias of RUBY HINMAN.

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The following information was obtained from a check of the indices in the San Francisco Field Division. On April 16, 1941, [redacted] advised that RUBY HINMAN had complained to AL RICHMOND that she could not afford a subscription to the PEOPLE'S WORLD at that time but that she would need one in order to enable her to begin the indexing. According to this informant, RICHMOND agreed to start her subscription on credit. It was later learned from the same informant that RUBY discussed with one DON RUSSELL the possibility of someone else taking over the indexing of the PEOPLE'S WORLD, saying that she was leaving for Los Angeles to become the Executive Secretary of the Federation of Constitutional Liberties.

On May 17, 1943, according to [redacted] CLEMIE BARREY, leading Communist Party functionary in San Francisco, reported to a group that RUBY HINMAN was back in town and was a member of the Communist Party. It is noted that this information was verified on November 18, 1943, by [redacted] who further stated that the subject had been a Communist Party member for nine years.

On September 10, 1943, information was received from [redacted] that a Mrs. L. A. HINMAN resided at 2317 Jones Street and that her telephone number was Prospect 6350.

On September 3, 1943, Source A stated that he knew one BRUNI HINMAN to be on the PEOPLE'S WORLD subscription list.

On September 27, 1943, Source B advised that he had heard that BRUNI HINMAN was behind in her dues when she was a member of the Communist Party in San Francisco.

On December 16, 1943, Source C stated that she definitely knew BRUNI HINMAN to be a member of the Communist Party and to reside at 2317 Jones Street.

A recent report from [redacted] advised that BRUNI HINMAN was a subscriber to the PEOPLE'S WORLD as of July 1943, and was also a subscriber in June of 1942, but at this time BRUNI lived at 607 North Corönado Street, Los Angeles.

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With regard to LOYAL A. HINMAN, alias LUKE HINMAN, the husband of the subject, it should be noted that a check of the indices in the San Francisco Field Division revealed him to be a veteran of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, that he had been a rabid Communist and a labor organizer in California for many years and that his activities had been carried on both in Los Angeles and in northern California, where they centered around Palo Alto and Redwood City for the most part. However, a separate file on this individual is being opened in the San Francisco Office in which this information will be set out in detail.

\* It should be noted, however, that while RUBY and LOYAL HINMAN were residing at 1276 Fulton Street, San Francisco, they were reported to have received "considerable mail that was Communistic" and to have received registered mail from Russia, as well as a subscription to the PEOPLE'S WORLD newspaper.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California; will check the indices and report any information contained therein regarding the subject, keeping in mind both her name and aliases. It is pointed out that she is alleged to have lived at 607 North Coronado Street, Los Angeles, at one time.

THE SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION

At San Francisco, California; will maintain contact with confidential informants and will report any information obtained therefrom regarding subject's activities in the Communist Party.

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SOURCE SHEET

SOURCE A:

SOURCE B:

SOURCE C:

The above symbols were used to further protect  
the identity of the informant.

Each source attributed to [redacted] represents a  
separate piece of documentary evidence.

The Los Angeles letter dated 1/4/44 advised that  
Subject had been transferred from the Abraham  
Lincoln Branch of the Professional Section, Los  
Angeles County Communist Party, to San Francisco.

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TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
RUBY HINMAN, with aliases, Bruni Hinman, Mrs. Loyal A. Hinman, Mrs. Luke Hinman, Mrs. L. A. Hinman		SECURITY MATTER - C	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject has been positively identified as a member of the San Francisco Communist Party. She is reported to have been affiliated with the Party in northern and southern California over a period of nine years. Her husband, LOYAL A. HINMAN, alias LUKE, is also reported to be a member of the same branch, having transferred from Longshoremen's Branch, and to have been a rabid Communist and labor organizer for many years. It is known that he also served with the Abraham Lincoln Brigade in the Spanish Civil War. RUBY and her husband are alleged to have subscribed to the PEOPLE'S WORLD and to have received mail of a Communistic nature as well as some registered mail from Russia.

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Details: At San Francisco, California:

This investigation is predicated upon information furnished by [redacted] to the effect that the subject is a known member of the Communist Party in San Francisco. Furthermore, a letter from the Los Angeles Field Division dated January 4, 1944, advised that that office had been furnished with documentary evidence from a very reliable and confidential source indicating that in May 1943, BRUNI HINMAN was transferred from the Los Angeles County Communist Party, to San Francisco, "where his address is believed to be 1819 Stockton Street".

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REPORT MADE AT <del>SAN FRANCISCO</del>	DATE WHEN MADE <del>4/15/44</del>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <del>4/14, 15/44</del>	REPORT MADE BY <del>HOUSTON LE BOSS BROWNE SS</del>
TITLE <del>LOYAL A. HINMAN, with aliases Luke Hinman and L. A. Hinman</del>		CHARACTER OF CASE <del>SECURITY MATTER - C</del>	

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject has been positively identified as a member of the San Francisco Communist Party. He is a veteran of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade and is reported to have been a Communist Party member for many years, having been active in northern and southern California, and is reported to have been a militant labor organizer in the vicinity of Redwood City, California, and to have received much Communistic literature as well as registered mail from Russia.

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AGENCY 1-C.C.I.N.S San

REQ. REC'D 1-28-58

REF'T FORW. 2-10-58

BY Mrs. E. J. D.

## Details:

At San Francisco, California:

This investigation was predicated upon information furnished by [redacted] to the effect that subject resided at 2317 Jones Street, and was presently a member of the Communist Party, San Francisco. Incidental to the investigation of subject's wife, Mrs. RUBY HINMAN, who is the subject of a separate file in the San Francisco Field Division, the above address was verified and it was further learned that upon coming to San Francisco from Los Angeles the subject resided temporarily at the home of one MARGARET LEEORTON, 1819 Stockton Street, San Francisco, California.

A check of the indices in the San Francisco Field Division revealed the following information concerning the subject. An article appearing in the PEOPLE'S WORLD newspaper of December 27, 1938, named LUKE HINMAN as a veteran of the Spanish Civil War in an article announcing the return of several such veterans who had served in the Abraham Lincoln

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On September 24, 1940, the San Francisco Field Division received the following information from [redacted] setting out HINMAN's activities from 1935 through 1940:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Information</u>
5/11/39	Other addresses: Redwood City, California 2380 So. Court, Palo Alto, Calif.
4/7/36	Photo, 2641 Marysville, P. D. Reportedly convicted by a Palo Alto Judge for reckless driving and his license suspended for 6 months, in spite of which he continued to drive. In this connection it was pointed out that Hinman's father and Judge Springer were both Spanish-American war vets, and well acquainted. Luke and wife, Fern, were intimates of the C.F.G. Ortons - in fact, Luke later went to live with the Ortons, and accompanied Mrs. Orton to radical meetings in Palo Alto. Mrs. Hinman reportedly left Hinman and divorced him.
3/6/35	Sent letter to Judge Lemmon protesting trial of Sacramento C.S. Communists. Intimate of A. L. Ryan, former Party organizer at Palo Alto. His postcard and Ryan's, urging state legislators to dismiss charges against Sacramento Communists and repeal the C. S. law were mailed from Menlo Park on same date and hour (3-5 or 3-15-35).
2/20/36	With Mrs. Orton at ALAWF meeting. Showed several persons a letter from Caroline Decker asking him to "buy some cretonne" for her cell. Reported to have pulled WPA strike, Redwood City, 3-36. In conversation with James Branch, Menlo Park, summer, 1935.
3/18/36	Presided at meeting of PWUU at Palo Alto High School, March 16. He was present at Feb. 20 meeting of AFAWF in company of Mrs. Orton. They have also attended Labor Forum meetings.
4/7/36	His car 8C 91 56 (Ford coupe) registered in his name at 2380 So. Court, Palo Alto, the address of Mrs. Orton. Description: 22-25 years; light br. hair; medium height; good looking; slightly long nose. Formerly a foreman for Bear Gulch Water Co., Menlo Park. Formerly married to Ferne Hinman now separated and believed divorced. Head of Grievance Comm., PWUU, Palo Alto. James Branch is reported to have visited him. Reported to have "pulled" a strike in Redwood City three weeks ago (probably WPA).

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Information</u>
12/8/38	Member of Ab. Lincoln Brigade enroute home from Loyalist Spain
12/9/38	S. F. Bay resident held at French border enroute home from Spain
12/27/38	Loyalist Spain vet, expected back in S. F. soon.
4/14/39	Listed by T. D. as Vet. of Int'l Brig. See list for age and passport number.
5/1/39	
5/11/39	U. S. veteran of the International Brigade which fought in Spain. Redwood City, Calif. See case history.
5/20/39	
7/16/39	Org. United Cannery, Agri. Packing & Allied Workers of Amer. (CIO). Arrested 7-17, Marysville, in connection with strike at Earl Fruit Co., charged with violating Butte Co. anti-picketing Ord. (Luke Hinman). Convicted 8-27.
8/29/39	In Madera working with Herbert Resner to keep cotton pickers strike from ending.
10-24-39	
10/25/39	UACAPAWA representative in Madera Co. cotton strike.
10/27/39	Luke Hinman, said to be CIO Director of Field Organization, met yesterday with Stewart Strathman and Robert Franklin, field secy. and field rep. respectively of the Associated Farmers re cotton strike.
1/4/40	Luke Hinman, member of group of CIO pickets, 8 of whom surrendered and were jailed in Yuba County 1-4-40; he has an added ? in which to surrender. Donations to Bay Area Comm. to Aid Agricultural Workers are cleared thru UACAPAWA, 212 W. 3rd St., L. A. Luke Hinman, Secty-Tres.
3/4/40	Luke Hinman attended C. P. convention in S. F. Elected secretary-treasury UACAPAWA District #2 at L. A. convention.
5/12/40	In Riverside. Veteran of Spanish Civil War.
5/15/40	Upon return he was put in charge of Federal Labor Camp in Imperial Valley. Reported to be Communist Party member."
6/5/40	

On October 27, 1941, Source A furnished the San Francisco Office with the following information regarding the subject. While living at 1276 Fulton Street, San Francisco, the Hinmans received considerable mail that was Communistic in nature and also some registered mail from Russia in addition to a PEOPLE'S WORLD newspaper subscription that came to the home. Further, an inspection of the rooms occupied by the

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Hinmans revealed several Russian Travel Bureau posters. According to this report, when the Hinmans left this address they left a forwarding address as 970 Northwestern Avenue, Los Angeles.

Source of Information B advised that at the annual meeting of the United Cannery Agricultural Packing and Allied Workers of America in 1940, LUKE HINMAN was elected Secretary-Treasurer of District #2.

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THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California: will report any information regarding the subject under his name or any of his aliases which indicates that he was engaged in Communist activities in that area.

THE SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION

At San Francisco, California: will maintain contact with confidential informants and will report any information received therefrom regarding the present Communist activities and affiliations of the subject.

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SOURCE SHEET

SOURCE A:

[redacted] in a report dated October 14, 1941, regarding JACOMO MATORI and contained in San Francisco File #100-1068-8.

SOURCE B:

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[redacted], this information being contained in the report of Special Agent ROBERT L. KING, at San Francisco, California, dated September 1, 1940, entitled, "Communist Party, USA, 13th District, Registration Act".

The above symbols were used in order to more fully protect the identity of the informants.

[redacted] advised that the subject is a member of the North Beach Branch, Communist Party, San Francisco, California.

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TITLE  <b>① LOYAL A. HINMAN, wa.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No additional information concerning subject available at Los Angeles.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent HOUSTON LE ROSS BROWNE,  
San Francisco, 4/15/44.

DETAILS:

A review of the information made available to this office concerning subject reflects that the only information available is that which is set out in reference report as coming from [REDACTED].

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TITLE  <b>LOYAL A. HINMAN, wa.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No additional information concerning subject available at Los Angeles.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent HOUSTON LE ROSS BROWNE,  
San Francisco, 4/15/44.

DETAILS:

A review of the information made available to this office concerning subject reflects that the only information available is that which is set out in reference report as coming from [redacted]

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TITLE <b>RUBY HINMAN w.a.s.</b>	CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY LETTER - C</b>
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Subject was Executive Secretary of the Southern California Branch of the NATIONAL FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES in Los Angeles in 1941. Recently she was reported to have offered her services to the RUSSIAN-AMERICAN INSTITUTE. Informants further report that she now has a child and this will probably cause her to be less active in Party activities than heretofore. They report that RUBY is a friend of TONY HABER of Los Angeles, whom they suspect of being a member of the Communist Party in that city.

*Francis*  
 AGENCY / C.C.-INS  
 REQ. REC'D 1-28-58  
 REP'T FORW. 2-10-58  
 BY *Drama* *PM*

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent HOUSTON LE ROSS BROWNE, dated 4/15/44 at San Francisco, California

**DETAILS:** AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA:

A check of the indicies in the San Francisco Field Division revealed that according to SOURCE A, BRUNI HINMAN was the Executive Secretary of the SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH of the NATIONAL FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, in 1941 at Los Angeles, and that this organization had offices in Room #427 at 257 South Spring Street.

On April 8, 1944, SOURCE B advised that the subject had offered her services to the RUSSIAN-AMERICAN INSTITUTE but that she now had a baby and would probably be less active in Party matters than heretofore.

On April 28, 1944, SOURCE C advised that the subject was a friend of one TONY HABER, the wife of JOE HABER. The HABERS live in Los Angeles, and are believed to be members of the Communist Party in that city.

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SOURCE C stated that recently TONY HEDER contacted RUBY when she was in San Francisco, and that on this occasion they discussed a mutual friend, one WALTER POLIKOFF, who was in Washington, D. C. with the C.I.O.

However, BOTH TONY and RUBY said they did not know where POILOFF was now located or what he was doing.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION:

\*Will check the indices and report any information contained therein regarding the subject, keeping in mind both her name and aliases. It is pointed out that she is alleged to have lived at 607 North Coronado Street, Los Angeles, at one time.

THE SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION:

At San Francisco, California:

Will maintain contact with Confidential Informants and report any information obtained therefrom regarding the subject's activities in the Communist Party or on behalf of the RUSSIAN-AMERICAN INSTITUTE.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

SOURCE A:



SOURCE B:



SOURCE C:



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The above sources have been so designated in order to more fully protect their identities.

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TITLE <b>RUBY HINIAN W.A.S.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**  
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FILE NO. 100-21632

REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE 5/22/44	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/9/44	REPORT MADE BY HOUSTON LE ROSS BROWNE CM
TITLE LOYAL A. HINMAN w.a.s.	CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C		

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject reported by one informant to be considered as good in recruiting new members for the party.

[redacted] could reveal no additional information on subject. Efforts to locate subject's Local Board in San Francisco, were made with negative results.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent HOUSTON LE ROSSE BROWNE dated 4/15/44 at San Francisco

DETAILS: AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA:

On March 30, 1944, [redacted] advised that he knew LUKE HINMAN to be considered by leading Communist Party functionaries in San Francisco to be good in recruiting new members.

[redacted] was contacted on May 19, 1944 but advised that he had no additional information of value concerning the subject. Local Board #76 covering subject's first known address in San Francisco at 1819 Stockton Street, Local Board #101 which covers subject's present address at 2317 Jones Street, and Transfer Board #76 which handles the files of all registrants transferring into San Francisco were contacted in an effort to locate HINMAN's Selective Service file with negative results.

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 REQ. REC'D 1-28-53  
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 BY Mrs. B.A.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION:

At Los Angeles, California:

Will report any information regarding the subject under his name or any of his aliases which indicates that he was engaged in Communist activities in that area.

Will endeavor to locate subject's Selective Service Board in order to obtain any pertinent background information contained in his Selective Service file.

It is noted that in the reference report, two previous addresses of the subject in Los Angeles were 970 North Western Avenue, 607 North Coronado Street.

THE SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION:

At San Francisco, California:

Will maintain contact with Confidential Informants and report any information received therefrom regarding the present Communist activities of the subject.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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L.A. FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
Los Angeles	6/5/44	5/16,17/44	EDWARD J. HAILEY MJ
TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
RUBY HINMAN, with aliases		SECURITY MATTER (C)	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Subject known in Los Angeles as BRUNI HINMAN; also a member of the Professional Unit of the Abraham Lincoln Branch of the Los Angeles County Communist Party. She transferred her membership to San Francisco prior to April 1943 and gave her San Francisco address as 1819 Stockton Avenue. Her activities while in Los Angeles consisted primarily of being Executive Secretary of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. LUKE HINMAN, subject's husband, was member of the Colin Kelly Branch of the Los Angeles County Communist Party prior to his transfer to San Francisco about April 1943 and was an active Communist in the Vultee Aircraft Corporation strike of November 1940.

RUC AGENCY ICC-INS San Francisco  
 REQ. REC'D 1-28-58  
 C REP'T FORW. 2-10-58  
 BY H. R. B.

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent Houston LeRoss Browne dated 4/17/44 at San Francisco.

**DETAILS:** AT LOS ANGELES

RUBY HINMAN, with aliases

On June 17, 1941 Special Agent James G. Findlay attended a meeting of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties of Southern California held at the Embassy Auditorium at Los Angeles.

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The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the North American Aviation Company strike, during which strike the plant had been taken over by the U. S. Army. At this meeting pamphlets were distributed describing the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties and gave a list of its officers. In this list the subject, BRUNI HINMAN, was listed as Executive Secretary. In the lobby of the Embassy Auditorium before and after this meeting, the "People's World", "Labor Action" and "Militant" were sold.

On March 8, 1943 Source C advised that on that date JANE WALLACE, who was at that time Publicity Director of the Los Angeles County Communist Party organization, advised that she had talked to the subject concerning doing some Party work. Sometime previous BRUNI had stated she was desirous of being active and working for the betterment of the Party; however, when she was asked specifically at this time, BRUNI stated that she was not exactly sure but that she would be very glad to talk it over at the Party Headquarters the following day.

On June 23, 1943 Source B advised that BRUNI HINMAN'S name was listed at the Los Angeles County Party Headquarters in a transfer book, giving her new address as 1819 Stockton Avenue, San Francisco, and that she had been transferred there from the Professional Unit of the Abraham Lincoln Branch of the Los Angeles County Communist Party.

①  
LUKE HINMAN

In May 1941 Source D advised that LUKE HINMAN was an active Communist in the Vultee Aircraft Corporation strike of November 1940. In June of 1942 Source E advised that MRS. LEROY SOUTH who resides at 611½ N. Coronado Street, Los Angeles, had informed that the subject was then residing at 607 N. Coronado, the last known address of JACOB LEVIN and wife, HELEN GARDNER, both very influential figures in the Los Angeles County Communist Party. MRS. SOUTH also informed that the subject was a Communist Party member and that he was living at that time with EMILY NORTON at the above address and that MISS NORTON was then the newly elected educational director of the Los Angeles County Communist Party.

On June 23, 1943 Source B informed that LUKE HINMAN'S name was listed at the Communist Party Headquarters, Los Angeles County, in a transfer book, and that the record reflected that sometime prior to this date he had transferred from the Colin Kelly Branch 64 to San Francisco. About the same time Source A advised that a notation had been made at the Los Angeles Communist Party Headquarters to forward a card to LUKE HINMAN, now living at 1819 Stockton Avenue, San Francisco, where he had moved after being transferred from the Colin Kelly Branch.

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L.A. file 100-21588

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Source A -  
Source B -  
Source C -  
Source D -  
Source E -

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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**100-21588**

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
<b>Los Angeles</b>	<b>6/5/44</b>	<b>5/16, 17/44</b>	<b>EDWARD J. HALEY</b>
TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
<b>RUBY HINMAN, with aliases</b>		<b>SECURITY MATTER (C)</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Subject known in Los Angeles as BRUNI HINMAN; also a member of the Professional Unit of the Abraham Lincoln Branch of the Los Angeles County Communist Party. She transferred her membership to San Francisco prior to April 1943 and gave her San Francisco address as 1819 Stockton Avenue. Her activities while in Los Angeles consisted primarily of being Executive Secretary of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. LUKE HINMAN, subject's husband, was member of the Colin Kelly Branch of the Los Angeles County Communist Party prior to his transfer to San Francisco about April 1943 and was an active Communist in the Vultee Aircraft Corporation strike of November 1940.

**RUC**

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent Houston LeRoss Browne dated 4/17/44 at San Francisco.

**DETAILS:** AT LOS ANGELES      RUBY HINMAN, with aliases

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FILE NO. 100-21800

REPORT MADE AT <b>LOS ANGELES</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>6/3/44</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>5/31/44</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>MARCUS M. BRIGHT</b> <b>sam</b>
TITLE  <b>① LOYAL A. HINMAN, W.A.S.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Subject not registered with Local Draft Boards covering his former addresses in Los Angeles, Calif.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent HOUSTON LE ROSS BROWNE, San Francisco, dated 5/22/44.

DETAILS: AT LOS ANGELES

Contact with Local Draft Boards No. 225 and No. 229 covering subject's reported former address of 607 North Coronado Street and 970 North Western Avenue respectively, revealed no record of his Selective Service registration.

In view of the difficulties in contacting all draft boards, same is only requested of Selective Service officials in major cases and as a last resort and will not be done in this case until a specific request is made for same.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. 100-21632

REPORT MADE AT <b>SAN FRANCISCO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/20/44</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/16,17/44</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>PAUL CHESTER FULLER PH</b>
TITLE <b>CHANGED</b> <b>LUKE ANSON HINMAN, w.as. Loyal A. Hinman, Luke Hinman, L. A. Hinman</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Confidential informants advise subject not presently active in CPA San Francisco Bay Area. Subject born 11/13/05, Sheridan, Colo., employed Waterfront Employers Assoc. Resides 2317 Jones St., San Francisco. Description set forth.

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AGENCY / CC - INS San  
REQ. REC'D 1-28-58  
REP'T FORM. 2-10-55  
BY Mrs. Bjo

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent HOUSTON LE ROSS BROWNE, dated 5/22/44 at San Francisco.

**DETAILS:** The title of this investigation is marked changed to include the name LUKE ANSON HINMAN, obtained from the files of the State Harbor Commission, San Francisco.

All confidential informants who are familiar with Communist activities in the San Francisco Area were contacted, but had no information reflecting that subject was active in Communistic affairs at the present time.

The records of the State Harbor Commission, Ferry Building, San Francisco, reflect that LUKE ANSON HINMAN, 2317 Jones Street, San Francisco, made application for a waterfront pass on July 7, 1943. At that time he stated he was employed by the Waterfront Employers Association, 405 Montgomery Street, San Francisco. He further indicated that he had social security number 546-28-1301, was born in Sheridan, Colorado November 13, 1905, and described himself as being 6' tall, weight 165 pounds, light brown hair, blue eyes, and was married. Subject's photograph, taken July 7, 1943, bearing identification number 64571, obtained from the State

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Harbor Commission, is being made a part of subject's file.

The September 1944 telephone directory reflects that L. A. HINMAN resides at 2317 Jones Street, San Francisco.

This investigation is being closed, to be reopened on the receipt of further information reflecting subject's status and activities in the Communist Political Association.

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To: SAC, San Francisco  
From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Subject: LUKE ANSON HINMAN, was  
SECURITY MATTER - C

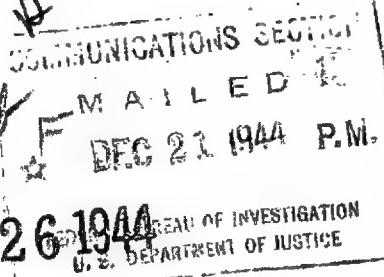
Date: December 21, 1944

A Security Index Card is not being prepared relative to the subject at the present time as there is some doubt as to the place of his birth. Your form letter dated October 20, 1944, recommending the preparation of a card indicated his place of birth was Sherman, Colorado, while the report of Special Agent Paul Chester Fuller dated October 20, 1944, states Hinman was born in Sheridan, Colorado. The Postal Guide lists neither Sherman nor Sheridan as post offices in the state of Colorado though there is a Sheridan Lake listed.

It is suggested that further inquiry be made to definitely establish where the subject was born and that your recommendation be resubmitted when this has been done.

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rumford \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gardy \_\_\_\_\_

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FILE NO. 100-21632

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Suite 1729 - 111 Sutter  
San Francisco, Calif.  
October 20, 1944

Director, FBI

~~REL~~  
LUKE ANSON HINMAN, w.as.  
RE: SECURITY MATTER - C

Dear Sir:

It is recommended that a Security Index card be prepared relative to the individual named below:

Name: LUKE ANSON HINMAN  
Aliases: Loyal A. Hinman, Luke Hinman, L. A. Hinman

Residence Address: 2317 Jones Street, San Francisco, California

Business Address: 405 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, Calif.

Native Born       Alien       Naturalized

Communist       German       Miscellaneous

Fascist (Italian)       Japanese     

Date of Birth November 13, 1905

Place of Birth Sherman, Colorado

Entered U. S.

Naturalized (date)

Naturalized (place and Court)

*(per Postal Cards)*  
Sheridan Lake

*(per memo)*  
Sheridan

Very truly yours,

*N. J. L. Pieper*  
N. J. L. Pieper 1088

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

FILE NO. 100-20627 -

REPORT MADE AT <b>SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>1/8/45</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1/4, 5/45</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>KENNETH F. SCHOENECKER (A) GH</b>
TITLE <b>RUBY HINMAN, with aliases</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Subject and husband LOYAL A. HINMAN moved to Covelo, Mendocino County, Calif., in August 1944. Informant advised subject's membership in the North Beach Club of the CPA at San Francisco transferred to Eureka, California.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent HOUSTON LE ROSS BROWNE dated at San Francisco, California 5/22/44.

**DETAILS: AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

Source A disclosed that the subject and her husband LOYAL A. HINMAN, were transferred in August, 1944 from the North Beach Club of the Communist Political Association at San Francisco to Eureka, California because of a change in their residence to Covelo, Mendocino County.

Source B informed that the subject had changed her address for the mailing lists of the People's World to Covelo, Mendocino County. The People's World to which the subject subscribed is a west coast organ controlled by the Communist Political Association.

AGENCY / CC - INS, San Francisco

REQ. REC'D. 1-28-52

REP'T FORW. 2-10-58

BY MARY RICH

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <b>M. L. P. [Signature]</b>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <b>W. H. BROWN [Signature]</b>	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <b>100-302394-10</b>	RECORDED <b>INDEXED</b>
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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION  
AT COVELO, MENDOCINO COUNTY, will verify subject's address.

Will attempt to ascertain extent of the subject's activities  
in behalf of the CPA at Covelo.

S. F. FILE # 100-20627

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

SOURCE A:

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SOURCE B:

The above informants have been designated by letter symbol  
herein to assume the protection of their identities.



IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 100-21632

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Suite 1729 - 111 Sutter Street  
San Francisco 4, California  
February 19, 1945



Director, FBI

*[Signature]*  
LUKE ANSON HINMAN, w.as.  
RE: SECURITY MATTER - C

Dear Sir:

It is recommended that a Security Index card be prepared relative to the individual named below:

Name: HINMAN, LUKE ANSON ✓  
Aliases: Loyal A. Hinman, Luke Hinman, L. A. Hinman

Residence Address: 2317 Jones Street ✓  
San Francisco, California

Business Address: 405 Montgomery Street ✓  
San Francisco, California

Native Born ✓  Alien  Naturalized

Communist ✓  German  Miscellaneous

Fascist (Italian)  Japanese  \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth November 13, 1905 ✓

Place of Birth Sheridan Lake, Colorado ✓

Entered U. S. at \_\_\_\_\_

Naturalized (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Naturalized (place and Court) \_\_\_\_\_

Very truly yours,

*N. J. L. Pieper*  
N. J. L. Pieper  
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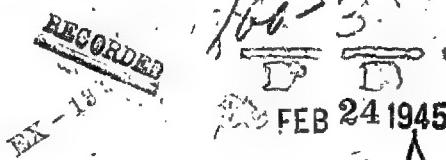
TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, San Francisco  
SUBJECT: LUKE ANSON HINMAN, w.as.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: February 19, 1945

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated December 21, 1944 concerning the above captioned matter.

A recheck of the files of the State Harbor Commission, Ferry Building, San Francisco, California, reflects that subject was born November 13, 1905 at Sheridan Lake, Colorado. Accordingly a new Security Index form letter is being submitted and this investigation is being continued in a closed status.

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May 1, 1945

Special Agent in Charge

, San Francisco

RE: SECURITY MATTER

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that a security index card has been prepared at the Bureau, captioned as follows:

HINMAN, LUKE ANSON

NATIVE BORN

COMMUNIST

With Alias: Loyal A. Hinman

2317 Jones Street  
San Francisco, California (Res.)

405 Montgomery Street  
San Francisco, California (Bus.)

*me*

The above caption should be checked immediately for accuracy against the information contained in your files, and the Bureau should be informed of any discrepancies. You will prepare without delay a 5" x 8" white card captioned as above and reflecting your investigative case file number for filing in your Confidential Security Index Card File. In the event the above caption is not correct, the card you prepare should be correctly captioned, and the Bureau should be informed of the correct caption.

The caption of the card prepared and filed in your Office must be kept current at all times and the Bureau immediately advised of any changes made therein in that connection

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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Very truly yours,

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J. E. Hoover  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

FILE NO. 100-20627

REPORT MADE AT <b>SAN FRANCISCO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/19/45</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>6/7/45</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>JAMES JOSEPH BRESNAHAN jh</b>
TITLE <b>RUBY HINMAN, with aliases, Bruni Hinman, Mrs. Loyal A. Hinman, Mrs. Luke Hinman, Mrs. L. A. Hinman</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  
 Subject and husband, LOYAL A. HINMAN, presently reside at Covelo, California, a rural community located in Mendocino County. No evidence of Communist tendencies other than receipt of "People's World".

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 AGENCY: LC C-INS San  
 REQ. REC'D. 1-28-58  
 REP'T FORW. 2-10-58  
 BY: *Mme Bld*

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent KENNETH F. SCHOENECKER (A) dated January 8, 1945 at San Francisco

DETAILS: AT COVELO, CALIFORNIA

Mr. F. HAGNE, Postmaster, advised that RUBY HINMAN and her husband, LOYAL A. HINMAN, resided at Covelo, California. Mr. HAGNE had no information regarding any Communist activities on the part of Subject, but stated that Subject received the "People's World", which is an organ controlled by the Communist Political Association.

Mr. Charles Lovell, Deputy Sheriff of Mendocino County, who resides at Covelo, California, stated that Subject was not known to him, but assured writer that if Subject was engaged in any Communist activities in Covelo, it would have been brought to his attention by this date. It is here noted that Covelo is a rural community of approximately 600 people located in Mendocino County. Due to the fact that there is no evidence of Communist activities on the part of the Subject, no further investigation is being conducted, and this case is being closed.

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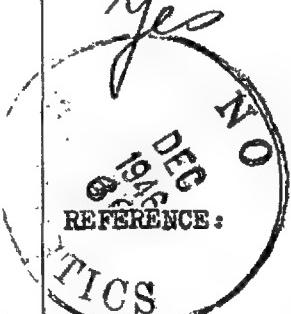
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FILE NO. 100-21632 MCL

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<b>SAN FRANCISCO</b>	<b>8-19-46</b>	<b>8-13-46</b>	<b>DONALD W. KUNO</b>
TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
<b>LUKE ANSON HINMAN, with aliases</b>		<b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject moved to Covelo, Calif., late in 1944 where he is a farmer. He was a paid Communist Party member throughout 1945. Confidential informants reflect no recent Communist activity.

*yes*  
  
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 REQ. REC'D 1-28-58  
 REP'T FORW. 2-10-58  
 BY [signature] RJD

Report of Special Agent PAUL CHESTER FULLER, San Francisco, October 20, 1944.

DETAILS:

This case has been reopened to report Communist Party activity since the date of the last report.

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Source A furnished information to the San Francisco Field Division to the effect that during 1945 HINMAN carried Communist Party card No. 41163. He gave his address as Box 27, Covelo, Mendocino County, Calif. His dues were paid through 1945. He listed his occupation as farmer. Other confidential informants of the San Francisco Field Division reveal no further Communist Party activity on the part of subject.

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<i>cc: DR. H. R. Vinson</i> 5 - Bureau 3 - San Francisco <i>32</i>		<i>100-30239 R-143-258H</i> <i>I - 13 - 853 3 S2 10-11-10</i> <i>22 AUG 26 1946</i> <i>RECEIVED</i> <i>EX-18</i>	
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SOURCES

Source A

FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

January 5, 1949

100-302398 ✓  
SAC,

San Francisco

RE:

LUKE ANSON HINMAN, as.  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
Your file 100-21632

Dear Sir:

A review of the files at the Bureau in connection with this subject has revealed that a report has not been received from your office concerning the subject since the report of Special Agent dated 8-19-48 at San Francisco. Donald N. Kuno

While it is realized that existing instructions do not require that a report be submitted periodically on Security Index card subjects unless the subject is also a top functionary, it is felt that in view of the tense international situation at the present time, a new report should be submitted setting forth the extent of the subject's present activities in connection with the Communist Party and related groups in order that the Bureau will be in possession of current information concerning each one of those subjects who are considered a threat to the internal security.

In submitting the report, the Bureau desires that you incorporate in summary form the information contained in your files not previously reported. Information of substantive nature only should be set forth and repetitious material should be avoided. Where a description of the subject has not been reported, that, too, should be included in the report and also placed on the reverse side of the Security Index card in accordance with the instructions outlined in SAC Letter No. 57, Series 1948, dated April 10, 1948.

In the event the subject's current address is not the same as that which appears on the Security Index card, you should correct the Security Index card and forward Form FD-119 to the Bureau in order that the Security Index card at the Bureau can be corrected.

In order that the Security Index will contain only the names of those individuals who can be considered to be a threat to the internal security of this country, the Bureau desires that you carefully appraise this case and if it appears that the subject, based on his present position and activities or past position and activities, cannot be considered such a threat, then in addition to submitting the report, you should recommend that the Security Index

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

card be canceled

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

ATTN: 2-15 DIVISION

This matter should receive your immediate attention.

★ JAN 5 1949 P.M.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. 100-21632

REPORT MADE AT <b>SAN FRANCISCO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>6/17/49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/27;5/12/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>EDWARD A. PLEVACK - eg</b>
TITLE <b>LUKE ANSON HINMAN, was.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation reveals that subject active in Communist Party in 1944 to 1948. Presently resides Covelo, California and is employed by the Sacramento Box Lumber Company, Covelo, Calif. Subject occasionally receives People's World, otherwise no known further Communist Party activity.

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AGENCY / E C - I N S  
- C - REQ. REC'D. 1-27-58  
C REP'T FORW. 2-10-58  
BY DRMM BJD

*San Francisco*

REFERENCE:

Bufile No. 100-302398.  
Bureau letter to San Francisco dated 1/5/49.  
Report of SA DONALD W. KUNO dated 8/19/46 at San Francisco.

DETAILS:

T-1 advised on October 17, 1944 that the name of the subject was listed on the records of the Communist Party Political Association, 942 Market Street, San Francisco, California.

T-1 further advised that on September 27, 1944 the subject recruited CLIFFORD B. ANDERSON, 135 San Jose Avenue, San Francisco, California into the Communist Party.

On November 1, 1947 T-2 furnished torn bits of paper wherein was written the name of LUKE HINMAN with a notation that he was a Communist Party member.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Roger M. Brown</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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5 Bureau 3 San Francisco <i>RECEIVED</i>	12 JUN 21 1949	<i>EX-138</i>	
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T-3 stated that the subject subscribed to the Daily People's World on May 13, 1947.

T-4 advised that the subject on May 12, 1948 had his name included on the list of the members of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade and his address at the time was Box 27, Covelo, California.

AT COVELO, CALIFORNIA

FRANK E. HAGNE, Post Master, Covelo, advised that the subject moved to Covelo in 1944 and is presently residing at the Southeastern section of Covelo near the Sacramento Box Lumber Company. Mr. HAGNE further advised that the subject is employed by the Sacramento Box Lumber Company and also mentioned that he owns a small ranch and home here. According to Mr. HAGNE, the subject does not mix with the natives of the city and comes to town about twice a year. He stated that the subject's wife comes into town about twice a week to pick up supplies. He also mentioned that the subject occasionally received the Daily People's World, but other than this, has shown no outward indications of any Communist activities.

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A highly confidential source of information known to SAs GEORGE M. LANGDON, EDGAR L. ROBBINS, THEODORE S. CRUISE, PHILIP G. BOWSER, and WILLIAM O. STALCUP, which source had access to records maintained at the Communist Political Party Headquarters, 942 Market Street, San Francisco, California.

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D. L. LAMBERT, Inspector in Charge, Post office Inspectors, San Francisco, California.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

**TO :** Director, FBI

**FROM :** SAC, San Francisco

**SUBJECT:** LUKE ANSON HINMAN, wa  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
(Bufile 100-302398)

DATE: September 2, 1950

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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME LUKE ANSON HINMAN

ALIASES Loyal A. Hinman

RACE White SEX Male NATIVE BORN X NATURALIZED  ALIEN

COMMUNIST X SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify)

TAB FOR DETCOM Yes TAB FOR COMSAB Y

DATE OF BIRTH 11/13/05 PLACE OF BIRTH Sheridan, Colorado

RESIDENCE ADDRESS Box 27, Covelo, Calif.

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address)

Sacramento Box Co. Lumber Mill

Covelo, California

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Strategic and Vital Industry List)

None

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A. E. Leonard

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-302398)

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-21632)

SUBJECT: LUKE ANSON HINMAN, was  
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: 2/29/52

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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

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DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	SEX
BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address)		
COVELO LUMBER COMPANY (OWNED BY CHICO WOODS PRODUCT)		
COVELO, CALIFORNIA		
NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List)		
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1952

Transmit the following message to: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

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COMPROS DASH HONOLULU, IS DASH C. REURTEL SEPTEMBER TEN  
LAST. BUREAU AUTHORITY GRANTED INTERVIEW LUKE ANSON HINMAN  
IN CONNECTION WITH HONOLULU SMITH ACT SUBJECTS. IN  
CONDUCTING THIS INTERVIEW YOU SHOULD BE GUIDED BY EXISTING  
BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS RELATING TO INTERVIEWS WITH SECURITY  
SUBJECTS.

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PWD:mmp

cc - Bureau file 100-3-74-18

cc - Bureau file 100-302398

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Hinman is presently the subject of a Security Index card maintained in the San Francisco Office. There is no known present Communist Party activity on the part of the subject other than the fact that he occasionally receives the "People's World." In view of the information furnished that he may have defected from the CP in 1944 or 1945 and in view of the possibility he may be able to furnish valuable information in connection with the Honolulu cases, it is suggested that he be interviewed.

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ORIGINAL FILE N 100-3-74-18-461

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COMPROS - HONOLULU. HONOLULU HAS REQUESTED INTERVIEW OF LUKE ANSOM HINMAN, WAS., BUFILE ONE HUNDRED - THREE NAUGHT TWO THREE NINE EIGHT, IN CONNECTION HAWAII SMITH ACT TRIAL SCHEDULED FOR SEPT. TWENTY NINE, NEXT. HINMAN WHITE, MALE, EMPLOYED AND RESIDING COVELO LUMBER CO., COVELO, CALIF. BELIEV D DIVORCED, OCCUPATION, EMPLOYMENT AND RACE OF SPOUSE UNKNOWN. HINMAN VETERAN ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE, ATTENDED NINETEEN FORTY CP CONVENTION IN SF, MEMBER CPA AND CP USA FORTY FOUR FORTY EIGHT IN SF AND COVELO, CALIF. NO INFORMATION INDICATING CP ACTIVITY BY SPOUSE OR ANY OTHER RELATIVES. LAST KNOWN ACTIVITY BY HINMAN WAS SUBSCRIPTION TO DPW IN MAY FORTY SEVEN. FRANK EMIL GEIST, FORMER CP MEMBER, STATED IN RECENT INTERVIEW IN LOS ANGELES THAT HINMAN DEFECTED CP SHORTLY AFTER MOVING TO COVELO, CALIF. IN FORTY FOUR, FORTY FIVE. HINMAN REPORTEDLY ATTENDED NINETEEN THIRTY NINE CP STATE TRAINING SCHOOL WITH HAWAIIAN SMITH ACT DEFENDANT JACK HALL. IF COOPERATIVE, HINMAN COULD FURNISH EVIDENCE VITAL TO SUCCESSFUL PROSECTUION. AUTHORITY GRANTED.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

**TO:** DIRECTOR, FBI (100-302398)  
**FROM:** SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-21632)  
**SUBJECT:** LOYAL A. HINMAN, was.  
 SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: 9/18/52

*Canceled*

Security Index card cancelled

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COMPROS - HAWAII  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
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LOYAL A. HINMAN was interviewed at Covelo, California, on 9/17/52, by SAs GARNETT T. TUNSTALL and WILLIAM F. DOYLE. HINMAN was courteous and appeared to be endeavoring to co-operate with the interviewing agents. However, he was unable to supply any information of value to the forthcoming Smith Act prosecutions in Honolulu. He admitted membership in the Communist Party from approximately 1934 through 1945 at which time he claimed to have become disillusioned because of the dictatorial policies of the Communist Party. Photographs of all of the Hawaiian Smith Act defendants were displayed to him and he was unable to identify any. He also stated that at no time during his active Communist Party membership had he heard names of the various defendants in Honolulu mentioned in Communist Party circles. He also advised that he had no information concerning the organizational setup of the Communist Party in Hawaii and its relation to Communist Party District 13 Headquarters in San Francisco.

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HINMAN recalled that he had attended a Communist Party State Training School held in San Francisco at Communist Party Headquarters, 121 Haight Street at the approximate time of the signing of the Soviet-German Non-aggression Pact. He was unable to recall that JACK W. HALL, ROBERT WALTER MC ELRATH or ICHIRO FUJUKA had participated in the sessions of the above school. He stated that to the best of his recollection that there were no Orientals in attendance at the State Training School in 1939. HINMAN was closely questioned in this regard and he appeared quite positive of the foregoing and suggested that the school may have met in two sessions and that the above mentioned Hawaiian subjects may have been in a section other than the one in which he participated.

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2CC: Honolulu  
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3CC: San Francisco  
100-32500 (Defected Communist Party member)

22b 50 100-24582 (Compros - Hawaii)  
100-8576 (JACK WAYNE HALL)

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At the termination of the interview, HINMAN volunteered to assist the Bureau in any manner in which he might be of value. It is the belief of the interviewing agents that HINMAN was genuinely attempting to co-operate, although it should be noted he did display some reluctance to discuss Communist Party activities of persons whom he knew had terminated their active Communist Party membership. In regard to individuals currently active within the Communist Party, HINMAN showed no reluctance in furnishing information concerning them and volunteered information of value in several matters which is being incorporated in the appropriate case files.

It is the recommendation of the San Francisco Office that the security index card presently maintained on this subject be cancelled.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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**TO :** DIRECTOR, FBI  
**FROM :** SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-21800)  
**SUBJECT:** LOYAL A. HINMAN, was.  
 SM - C  
 (Origin - San Francisco)

DATE: 1-11-54

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ReBulet dated 1-18-52 captioned "CP, USA, District 13, Los Angeles Division; IS - C," a copy of which was furnished the San Francisco Office.

On 6-2-53 ROLAND WILLIAM KIBBEE, screen writer, Los Angeles, California, furnished an executive statement to WILLIAM A. WHEELER, Investigator, HCUA, in Hollywood, California, in which he stated he was a Communist Party member from 1937 to 1939. In the course of KIBBEE's testimony he identified LUKE HINMAN as a trade union organizer who gave an indoctrination talk at a CP meeting. He further stated that HINMAN attended a unit meeting of the CP at the home of WALDO SALT.

A copy of KIBBEE's statement was furnished the Los Angeles Office by Washington Field Office on 10-5-53 and is located in LA file 62-1664-1B19, pp. 2326, 2328. If this testimony is used in a report, the source should be concealed by a "T" symbol and its contents carefully paraphrased.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/29/59

FROM : SAC SAN FRANCISCO (105-6790)

SUBJECT: HERCULES MICHAEL ARNAOUTIS, aka.  
IS - R & GREECE; FAG

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Rerep SA CHRISTOPHER J. PAPPANOU, 4/29/59, at New York.

On June 15, 1959, Investigator H. H. ENGELSKIRCHEN, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), San Francisco, advised SA THOMAS D. McGOLDRICK, Jr., that the original affidavit furnished by LOYAL ANSON HINMAN on February 9, 1959 concerning the Subject was forwarded to INS, New York, the INS Office of Origin in this matter. ENGELSKIRCHEN said that the New York INS file number in this matter would be identical to the San Francisco file number, namely C6566087.

ENGELSKIRCHEN advised that the persons to introduce the affidavit as evidence would be INS Investigator GLEN D. GRAHAM and himself. He explained that HINMAN resides at Covelo which is located in a remote area in Northern California. He said that Investigator GRAHAM conducted the initial interview of HINMAN at Covelo and then returned to San Francisco where he prepared the affidavit. ENGELSKIRCHEN then returned to Covelo with the affidavit, where HINMAN read and signed the document.

ENGELSKIRCHEN said that on several occasions he has discussed with HINMAN the possibility that HINMAN make himself available as an informant or witness to assist the United States Government in subversive investigations. ENGELSKIRCHEN said that on each occasion HINMAN has told him that he is willing to cooperate as an informant with the Government, but because his children are unaware of his past connections with the Communist Party (CP) he does not desire to testify publicly. 100-36236

In view of the above, this office did not ~~NOT~~ RECORDED HINMAN again regarding this matter at this time. 136 JUL 20 1959

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The following is a summary of the information available in the files of the San Francisco Office concerning LOYAL ANSON HINMAN, aka. LUKE HINMAN: (BORN APPROX. - 1918)

On March 6, 1944, [redacted] made available to Special Agents of the FBI information which reflected that LUKE HINMAN, 2317 Jones Street, San Francisco, California, was a member of the North Beach Branch of the San Francisco County Communist Party (SFCCP) (location SF file 100-27623A(779-1)).

In 1941 the U. S. Department of State furnished the FBI a list of persons who, according to the Passport Division of the State Department, served in the Loyalist Army in Spain sometime during the years 1936-39. The following name was listed on this list:

LOYAL ANSON HINMAN, 2380 South Court, Palo Alto, California; age 33; U. S. Passport No. 31719, issued September 24, 1937.

SPAIN

On August 3, 1949 [redacted] advised SAs PAUL C. FULLER and DAVID E. TODD, that the name of LUKE HINMAN, Box 27, Covelo, California, appeared on a list of members of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade (VALB), which list was located in the Office of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee (JAFRC), 228 McAllister Street, San Francisco (location SF file 100-2055-91, page 97).

The VALB and the JAFRC have been designated by the Attorney General of the U. S. pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On September 17, 1952 in connection with the prosecution of the Hawaiian Smith Act Subjects, LOYAL ANSON HINMAN was interviewed by Special Agents GARNETT T. TUNSTALL and WILLIAM F. DOYLE at Covelo, California. He admitted membership in the CP from approximately 1934 through 1945, at which time he claimed to have become disillusioned because of the dictatorial policies of the CP. Among other things, HINMAN recalled that he attended a CP State Training School held in San Francisco at CP Headquarters, 121 Knight Street, at the approximate time of the signing of the Soviet-German Non-Aggression Act. -RUC-